

**Senate Study Bill 1195 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SCHULTZ)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to county or city legislation affecting dog  
2 ownership.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 331.301, Code 2023, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 22. A county shall not adopt, enforce,  
4 or otherwise administer an ordinance, motion, resolution, or  
5 amendment that restricts or hinders a person's right to own or  
6 keep a dog based on the breed or perceived breed of the dog.  
7 This subsection does not inhibit the authority of a county to  
8 adopt, enforce, or administer an ordinance, motion, resolution,  
9 or amendment that applies to all dogs.

10 Sec. 2. Section 364.3, Code 2023, is amended by adding the  
11 following new subsection:

12 NEW SUBSECTION. 18. A city shall not adopt, enforce, or  
13 otherwise administer an ordinance, motion, resolution, or  
14 amendment that restricts or hinders a person's right to own or  
15 keep a dog based on the breed or perceived breed of the dog.  
16 This subsection does not inhibit the authority of a city to  
17 adopt, enforce, or administer an ordinance, motion, resolution,  
18 or amendment that applies to all dogs.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill prohibits counties and cities from adopting,  
23 enforcing, or administering an ordinance, motion, resolution,  
24 or amendment that restricts or hinders a person's right to own  
25 or keep a dog based on the breed or perceived breed of the dog.  
26 The bill does not inhibit the authority of a county or city to  
27 adopt, enforce, or administer an ordinance, motion, resolution,  
28 or amendment that applies to all dogs.